



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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The Missouri TSD Community

To Whom It May Concern:

Since becoming director of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' Hazardous Waste Program this past April, I have as one of my priorities a commitment to improving processes and reducing, wherever advisable, the administrative burdens on the businesses and individuals that we regulate or oversee. We have internally reviewed many of our processes and have received input from many of our stakeholders, including meetings held with stakeholders to discuss the impending sunset of hazardous waste fees that support the program.

As a result of these reviews, I am pleased to announce several immediate solutions that will help reduce the burden of our regulatory efforts without impairing our ability to insure the safe management of hazardous waste on behalf of Missouri citizens.

Effective immediately, hazardous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facilities (TSDs) **need no longer include photocopies** of manifests with the Facility Summary Report (form MO 780-0408).

By December 1, 2003, both Form MO 780-1097 for generators and Form MO 780-0408 for TSDs will be available on our website in a format that can be completed electronically and saved. This will facilitate easier completion of forms in time for the next quarterly billing cycle.

In addition to these immediate changes, we are drafting changes to the existing report forms that would reduce information requirements.

These are just a few of the possible administrative and paperwork reductions under consideration. I look forward to continuing dialogue with many of you to find further ways to making process improvements.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact Mr. John Beard, of my staff, at (573) 751-4566 or me at (573) 751-2747. You may also submit written comments to me at the Hazardous Waste Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0176.

Sincerely,

HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

Original signed by Edward Galbraith

Edward Galbraith
Director

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